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SUBJ: 55TH ECOSOC - WEST ASIA REGIONAL COMMISSION

REF: STATE 142216 AND 142217

1. WE PLAN TO INTRODUCE AMENDMENT TO LEBANESE DRAFT RESOLUTION PARALLELING LANGUAGE OF FOUR PREVIOUS ECOSOC RESOLUTIONS ESTABLISHING OTHER REGIONAL COMMISSIONS TO EFFECT THAT MEMBERSHIP OF REGIONAL COMMISSION "SHALL BE OPEN" TO ALL MEMBER STATES WITHIN GEOGRAPHIC CONFINES OF THE REGION. REJECTION SUCH AMENDMENT SHOULD SET STAGE FOR SUBSEQUENT MOVE WITHIN ECOSOC FOR ICJ ADVISORY OPINION.

2. WOULD RESPECTFULLY REQUEST RECONSIDERATION INSTRUCTIONS RE AMENDMENT INCLUDING NAME OF ISRAEL
(STATE 142216). WE BELIEVE THIS NECESSARY FOR FOLLOWING REASON: THE ARAB LEGAL ARGUMENT IS THAT AT THIS STAGE THEY HAVE NOT DISCRIMINATED AGAINST OR EXCLUDED ANY MEMBER STATE FROM THE POSSIBILITY OF MEMBERSHIP. GHORRA HAS STATED SUCH IN HIS INTRODUCTION TO RESOLUTION ALTHOUGH HE DID NOT MENTION ISRAEL. HENCE THEIR POSITION IS THAT WE ARISING ISSUE OF NON-MEMBERSHIP PREMATURELY. ISSUE WILL NOT ARISE IN THEIR VIEW UNTIL
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SUCH TIME AS ISRAEL ATTEMPTS GAIN MEMBERSHIP AND IS DENIED.

BY LOSING ON OUR AMENDMENT IT DEMONSTRATES NOW, NOT IN THE FUTURE, THAT ISRAEL BEING EXCLUDED. HENCE IN OUR VIEW WE WILL HAVE PLUGGED TIME GAP WHOLE IN OUR GENERAL ARGUMENTATION.

3. SCOTT (CHR. ECON. COM.) INFORMS US THAT HE HAS BEEN TOLD TO EXPECT AN ARAB MOTION TO CLOSE DEBATE TODAY. WE DESPERATELY NEED TABLE AMENDMENT TO PROTECT OUR POSITION ON FLOOR.

4. US DEL UNANIMOUS THAT TABLING AMENDMENT NECESSARY AT THIS JUNCTUREPROCEEDINGS.BASSIN

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